



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: the Application of:
Bjerre et al.
Serial No.: 09/973,082
Filed: October 10, 2001
For: Common Carrier System

Atty. Docket No.: 005432.00002
Group Art Unit: 3629
Examiner: Webb, J.
Confirmation No.: 4671

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants request a two-month extension of time for responding to the outstanding office action. The time for response is thus extended up to and including February 22, 2005. Accordingly, please charge the associated extension fee of \$225.00, as well as any other fees that may be necessary, to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

In response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2005, please amend the instant application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.